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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

OCTOBER, 1984

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TOTAL EMPLOYMENT CONTINUES TO FALL: In the middle of October, 1984, total employment in the State was estimated to be 2,858,700. That was a net monthly loss of 22,000 workers (-0.8 percent). Two of the three principal employment categories sustained over-the-month decreases. Agricultural employment experienced the largest drop, down seasonally by 14,400 people (-19.0 percent). Moreover, nonagricultural wage and salary employment declined by 9,400 persons (-0.4 percent) from September to October, 1984. On the other hand, "all other" nonagricultural employment enjoyed modest growth of 1,800 workers (+0.6 percent) over the month.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCES NOTICEABLE DROP: North Carolina's manufacturing employment was estimated to be 811,000 in mid-October of this year. That figure represented a net monthly loss of 4,200 people (-0.5 percent). The durable goods sector, though, did manage to have a very slight gain of 100 workers during a period of low activity. Lumber and wood led the way with the addition of 300 persons (+0.9 percent). That was followed by nonelectrical machinery, up by 200 workers (+0.4 percent) over the month. The nondurable goods sector sustained a rather large net over-the-month decline of 4,300 people (-0.9 percent), the vast majority of whom were in textile mill products, which fell by 4,100 workers (-1.9 percent). The only two gains in nondurable goods occurred in tobacco manufacturing (+500) and rubber and miscellaneous plastic products (+200).

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT INCREASES IN OCTOBER: In the middle of October, 1984, nonmanufacturing employment in the State was estimated to be 1,713,900. That was a good net over-the-month gain of 13,200 workers (+0.8 percent). Three of the seven nonmanufacturing industry groups enjoyed significant monthly growth: construction (+1,800), trade (+3,200), and government (+7,600).

MANUFACTURING AND NONMANUFACTURING AHEAD OF LAST YEAR: Over the year, Statewide manufacturing employment increased by 1,300 people (+0.2 percent) as several of the industry groups registered impressive gains: electrical machinery (+5,300), nonelectrical machinery (+3,800), rubber and miscellaneous plastic products (+3,600), and transportation equipment (+1,300). Since October of 1983, nonmanufacturing employment in North Carolina has added 55,300 workers (+3.3 percent) as all seven industry groups experienced growth. The four largest increases were these: trade (+21,200), government (+10,400), service and miscellaneous (+10,200), and construction (+9,200).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT RISES SUBSTANTIALLY OVER THE MONTH: As of the middle of October of this year, total unemployment in the State was estimated to be 208,900. That figure represented a net monthly increase of 15,200 persons (+7.8 percent). As a result, North Carolina's unadjusted rate of unemployment advanced from 6.3 percent in September to 6.8 percent in October. Unemployment conditions are somewhat better than twelve months ago (October, 1983) when there were 210,200 jobless people and the rate was 7.1 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 7.0 percent in October, 1984, 7.1 percent in September, 1984, and 8.4 percent one year ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 7.4 percent this October and September, and 8.8 percent in October of last year.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

October, 1984

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	Oct. 2/ 1984	Sept. 3/ 1984	Oct. 1983	Sept., 1984		Oct., 1983	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	3,067,600	3,074,400	2,960,500	- 6,800	- 0.2	+107,100	+3.6
Employment, Total	2,858,700	2,880,700	2,750,300	+22,000	- 0.8	+108,400	+3.9
Agricultural Employment	61,500	75,900	66,100	-14,400	-19.0	- 4,600	-7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,503,400	2,512,800	2,380,500	- 9,400	- 0.4	+122,900	+5.2
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	293,800	292,000	303,700	+ 1,800	+ 0.6	- 9,900	-3.3
Unemployment, Total	208,900	193,700	210,200	+15,200	+ 7.8	- 1,300	-0.6
State Unadjusted Rate	6.8	6.3	7.1	+ 0.5	XXX	- 0.3	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.0	7.1	8.4	- 0.1	XXX	- 1.4	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.4	7.4	8.8	0	XXX	- 1.4	XXX

1/ All data revised to reflect 1983 benchmark revisions. Compiled by Labor Market Information Division in cooperation with USDOL, Bureau of Labor Statistics.
2/ Preliminary Estimates.
3/ Revised Estimates.
4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.
5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

BOTH HOURLY EARNINGS AND HOURS WORKED RISE: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers increased by 2¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to $7.08 from mid-September to mid-October of this year. Moreover, that figure represented a net yearly climb of 36¢ an hour (+5.4). Unfortunately, the durable goods sector sustained a small net monthly loss of 1¢ an hour (-0.1 percent) to fall to $7.29 in October. Over the year, however, the durable goods segment enjoyed growth of 34¢ an hour (+4.9 percent). Transportation equipment was the durable goods industry that displayed the largest net monthly gain, rising by 11¢ an hour (+1.4 percent) to reach $8.02. Far behind was furniture and fixtures, up by a modest 2¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to $6.38 this October. The nondurable goods sector experienced a respectable net over-the-month gain of 4¢ an hour (+0.6 percent) to rise to $6.94 in October, 1984. During the past twelve months, the nondurable goods segment added 35¢ an hour (+5.3 percent). Paper and allied products exhibited a strong net over-the-month surge of 63¢ an hour (+5.9 percent) to jump to $11.38. That was followed by rubber and miscellaneous plastic products, which increased by 27¢ an hour (+3.1 percent) to $8.86 this October. The average weekly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees rose by $3.62 (+1.3 percent) to $281.08 from the middle of September to the middle of October, 1984. Also, that was $5.56 (+2.0 percent) above one year ago. Average weekly hours rose by 0.4 of an hour over the month to 39.7, which was still 1.3 hours below October of 1983.

CONSUMBER PRICE INDEX UP IN OCTOBER: According to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers increased to 315.3 from September to October of this year. That was a monthly increase of 0.3 percent plus a yearly gain of 4.2 percent. Apparel and upkeep was the group which experienced the largest over-the-month increase, up by 0.7 percent. Next came transportation and medical care, the cost of each rising by 0.6 percent. Then came entertainment and "other" goods and services, both up by 0.4 percent over the month. Housing was the only category to exhibit an over-the-month decrease, falling by 0.1 percent. Basically, what the index means is that goods and services which cost $100.00 in 1967, the base year, cost $315.30 in October, 1984.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS INCREASES OVER THE MONTH: There were 175,760 active job applicants registered for work with the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina as of October 31, 1984. That figure represented a net monthly gain of 18,122 persons (+11.5 percent). Once again the twenty-two to thirty-nine age group was the largest applicant segment with 109,958 or 62.5 percent of the total. A distant second was the forty to fifty-four sector which had 29,486 or 16.8 percent. The fifty-five and over age group, as is usually the case, had the fewest active applicants with 8,709 or only 5.0 percent of the total. Most of the active applicants were females with 95,371 or 54.3 percent of the total. Also, the largest ethnic group was white, not Hispanic, which had 95,150 or 54.1 percent of the total. The next table gives more data from the Statewide active applicant file as of October 31, 1984.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

October 31, 1984

	Number	Percent
Total	175,760	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	27,607	15.7
22-39	109,958	62.5
40-54	29,486	16.8
55 and Over	8,709	5.0
Sex		
Male	80,389	45.7
Female	95,371	54.3
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	95,150	54.1
Black, not Hispanic	76,043	43.3
Hispanic	1,376	0.8
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,172	1.2
Other Races and Undetermined	1,019	0.6
Eligible Claimant	60,734	34.6
Veteran	30,765	17.5
Handicapped	11,311	6.4
Seasonal Farmworker	3,015	1.7
Welfare	23,501	13.4

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS CONTINUES TO DECLINE IN OCTOBER: There were 22,030 job openings received by the local Job Servic offices across the State during October, 1984. That figure represented a net over-the-month decrease of 3,944 (-15.2 percent). A good percentage of those job openings was filled (83.9 percent or 18,493). Farming, fishing, and forestry was the occupational group with the largest number of job openings received in October with 3,898, the vast majority of which was filled (3,879 or 99.5 percent). Next came the miscellaneous category with 3,341 job openings received and 2,803 or 83.9 percent filled. The service category was right behind with 3,280 job openings received in October and 2,571 or 78.4 percent filled. The occupational group with the fewest job openings received in October was the professional, technical,

and managerial category with just 860. Unfortunately, less than half was filled (379 or 44.1 percent). From July 1, 1984, through October 31, 1984, there were 118,357 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. Most of those job openings were filled(96,099 or 81.2 percent). As of October 31, 1984, there were 15,626 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file. The majority of those job openings (9,751 or 62.4 percent) had remained open for thirty days or more and had therefore been classified as hard-to-fill. The following table provides additional information on Statewide job openings in October, 1984, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1984, through October 31, 1984).

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	October, 1984		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Oct. 31, 1984	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	860	379	3,932	1,847	1,401	911
Clerical	2,767	1,660	11,437	7,390	2,367	1,132
Sales	953	563	3,114	1,678	995	593
Service	3,280	2,571	16,194	12,106	2,763	1,751
Domestic	308	263	1,184	1,007	91	60
Other Services	2,972	2,308	15,010	11,099	2,672	1,691
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	3,898	3,879	36,359	35,454	151	108
Processing	1,414	1,347	4,788	4,381	756	552
Machine Trades	1,654	1,300	6,918	5,127	1,404	920
Bench Work	1,085	1,831	8,907	7,668	1,519	1,031
Structural Work	2,778	2,160	13,326	9,609	2,651	1,763
Miscellaneous	3,341	2,803	13,382	10,839	1,619	990
Motor Freight and Trans.	533	347	2,243	1,347	498	286
Pkg. and Mat. Hand.	2,725	2,402	10,821	9,296	1,041	663
Other	83	54	318	196	80	41
Total	22,030	18,493	118,357	96,099	15,626	9,751

1/ July 1, 1984, through October 31, 1984.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1984

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1984 (Thous.)	September 1984 (Thous.)	October 1983 (Thous.)	September 1984	October 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2524.9	2515.9	2468.3	+ 0.4	+ 2.3
MANUFACTURING	811.0	815.2	809.7	- 0.5	+ 0.2
DURABLE GOODS	320.8	320.7	308.1	+ 0.03	+ 4.1
Lumber & Wood Products	35.4	35.1	35.9	+ 0.9	- 1.4
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.1	13.0	13.3	+ 0.8	- 1.5
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.7	8.7	8.5	-	+ 2.4
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.7	3.7	4.3	0	- 14.0
Furniture & Fixtures	81.7	81.7	81.1	0	+ 0.7
Household Furniture	72.3	72.2	72.7	+ 0.1	- 0.6
Wood Household Furniture	36.6	36.8	37.2	- 0.5	- 1.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.2	31.0	30.5	+ 0.6	+ 2.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.9	18.9	18.1	0	+ 4.4
Structural Clay Products	2.8	2.8	2.5	0	+ 12.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.0	5.0	4.7	0	6.4
Primary Metal Industries	10.7	10.7	9.6	0	+ 11.5
Fabricated Metal Products	24.8	24.7	24.3	+ 0.4	+ 2.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.3	8.4	8.5	- 1.2	+ 2.4
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	54.6	54.4	50.8	+ 0.4	+ 7.5
Special Industry Machinery	8.0	8.0	7.8	0	+ 2.6
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	60.5	60.8	55.2	- 0.5	+ 9.6
Household Appliances	6.1	6.2	6.1	- 1.6	0
Transportation Equipment	19.2	19.3	17.9	0.5	+ 7.3
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.0	15.1	15.2	- 0.7	- 1.3
NONDURABLE GOODS	490.2	494.5	501.6	- 0.9	- 2.3
Food & Kindred Products	45.0	45.1	44.3	- 0.2	+ 1.6
Meat Products	18.0	17.7	16.9	+ 1.7	+ 6.5
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.8	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.1	7.9	- 1.2	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.4	6.7	6.6	- 4.5	- 3.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	27.3	26.8	26.5	+ 1.9	+ 3.0
Cigarettes	18.6	18.5	18.3	+ 0.5	+ 1.6
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	7.9	7.6	7.6	+ 3.9	+ 3.9
Textile Mill Products	213.7	217.8	228.0	- 1.9	- 6.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	59.0	60.2	64.4	- 2.0	- 8.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton	30.0	31.0	34.6	- 3.2	- 13.3
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.8	29.0	29.5	- 0.7	- 2.4
Knitting Mills	75.9	76.8	80.7	- 1.2	- 5.9
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.2	22.6	23.4	- 1.8	- 5.1
Hosiery, NEC	22.0	22.2	22.8	- 0.9	- 3.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.8	13.8	15.3	0	- 9.8
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.9	7.0	7.0	- 1.4	- 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.3	14.3	14.7	0	- 2.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.9	53.5	55.2	- 3.0	- 6.0

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1984

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1984 (Thous.)	September 1984 (Thous.)	October 1983 (Thous.)	September 1984	October 1983
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.6	87.0	88.1	- 0.5	- 1.7
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.8	27.7	27.5	- 3.2	- 2.5
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.9	40.9	41.7	0	- 1.9
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.3	22.3	0	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.6	10.7	10.7	- 0.9	- 0.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.3	7.2	0	+ 1.4
Printing & Publishing	23.4	23.6	22.6	- 0.8	+ 3.5
Newspapers	9.1	9.2	8.7	- 1.1	+ 4.6
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.2	37.4	37.8	- 0.5	- 1.6
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.3	13.4	13.9	- 0.7	- 4.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.2	30.0	26.6	+ 0.7	+ 13.5
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.5	4.5	5.4	0	- 16.7
NONMANUFACTURING	1713.9	1700.7	1658.6	+ 0.8	+ 3.3
MINING	4.5	4.5	4.4	0	+ 2.3
CONSTRUCTION	127.6	125.8	118.4	+ 1.4	+ 7.8
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	124.1	123.9	122.4	+ 0.2	+ 1.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	63.8	63.7	62.3	+ 0.2	+ 2.4
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	55.1	55.0	54.9	+ 0.2	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	539.9	536.7	518.7	+ 0.6	+ 4.1
Wholesale Trade	126.9	126.4	122.4	+ 0.4	+ 3.7
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	74.8	74.4	71.0	+ 0.5	+ 5.4
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.1	52.0	51.4	+ 0.2	+ 1.4
Retail Trade	413.0	410.3	396.3	+ 0.7	+ 4.2
General Merchandise Stores	56.8	55.9	54.6	+ 1.6	+ 4.0
Variety Stores	11.7	11.7	11.8	0	- 0.8
Food Stores	66.4	65.9	65.5	+ 0.8	+ 1.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	104.1	104.2	101.6	- 0.1	+ 2.5
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	380.9	380.4	370.7	+ 0.1	+ 2.8
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	23.9	24.1	21.8	- 0.8	+ 9.6
Personal Services	24.7	24.5	23.0	+ 0.8	+ 7.4
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.2	10.1	10.1	+ 1.0	+ 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	432.8	425.2	422.4	+ 1.8	+ 2.5
Federal	50.3	50.3	50.0	0	+ 0.6
State	129.8	123.6	125.6	+ 5.0	+ 3.3
Education	69.6	63.4	67.2	+ 9.8	+ 3.6
Other	60.2	60.2	58.4	0	+ 3.1
Local	252.7	251.3	246.8	+ 0.6	+ 2.4
Education	141.1	139.2	136.7	+ 1.4	+ 3.2
Other	111.6	112.1	110.1	- 0.4	+ 1.4

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1984

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1984 (thous)	September 1984 (thous)	October 1983 (thous)	September 1984	October 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,494.7	2,469.3	2,439.2	+ 1.0	+ 2.3
MANUFACTURING	803.0	783.8	802.2	+ 2.4	+ 0.1
DURABLE GOODS	318.6	319.0	305.9	- 0.1	+ 4.2
Lumber & Wood Products	34.9	34.6	35.5	+ 0.9	- 1.7
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.0	12.9	13.2	+ 0.8	- 1.5
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.6	8.6	8.2	0	+ 4.9
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.6	3.6	4.1	0	-12.2
Furniture & Fixtures	81.1	81.6	80.5	- 0.6	+ 0.7
Household Furniture	71.9	72.1	72.2	- 0.3	- 0.4
Wood Household Furniture	36.2	36.3	36.8	- 0.3	- 1.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.2	31.1	30.5	+ 0.3	+ 2.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.7	18.6	17.8	+ 0.5	+ 5.1
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.7	2.4	0	+12.5
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.0	4.9	4.7	+ 2.0	+ 6.4
Primary Metal Industries	10.7	10.7	9.6	0	+11.5
Fabricated Metal Products	24.4	24.4	23.9	0	+ 2.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.2	8.3	8.4	- 1.2	- 2.4
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	54.8	54.5	51.0	+ 0.6	+ 7.5
Special Industry Machinery	8.0	8.0	7.8	0	+ 2.6
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	59.9	60.2	54.7	- 0.5	+ 9.5
Household Appliances	5.5	5.6	5.5	- 1.8	0
Transportation Equipment	19.3	19.3	17.9	0	+ 7.8
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.8	15.1	15.0	- 2.0	- 1.3
NONDURABLE GOODS	484.4	489.2	496.3	- 1.0	- 2.4
Food & Kindred Products	44.2	44.4	43.5	- 0.5	+ 1.6
Meat Products	18.0	17.6	16.9	+ 2.3	+ 6.5
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.8	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.1	7.8	- 1.2	+ 2.6
Beverages	6.5	6.7	6.6	- 3.0	- 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.9	24.1	23.5	- 0.8	+ 1.7
Cigarettes	19.0	18.8	18.6	+ 1.1	+ 2.2
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.8	4.5	4.2	+ 6.7	+14.3
Textile Mill Products	212.8	216.7	227.1	- 1.8	- 6.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	59.0	60.C	64.4	- 1.7	- 8.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton	30.2	31.3	34.8	- 3.5	-13.2
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.8	28.7	29.5	+ 0.3	- 2.4
Knitting Mills	75.7	76.3	80.6	- 0.8	- 6.1
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.2	22.6	23.4	- 1.8	- 5.1
Hosiery, NEC	22.0	22.1	22.8	- 0.5	- 3.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.9	13.9	15.4	0	- 9.7
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.9	6.9	7.0	0	- 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.1	14.3	14.5	- 1.4	- 2.8
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.4	53.3	54.7	- 3.6	- 6.0

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

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INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1984 (thous)	September 1984 (thous)	October 1983 (thous)	September 1984	October 1983
Apparel & Other Textile Products	85.7	86.1	87.2	- 0.5	- 1.7
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.6	27.3	27.3	- 2.6	- 2.6
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.7	40.7	41.5	0	- 1.9
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.3	22.3	0	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.6	10.7	10.7	- 0.9	- 0.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.3	7.2	0	+ 1.4
Printing & Publishing	23.5	23.9	22.7	- 1.7	+ 3.5
Newspapers	9.1	9.3	8.7	- 2.2	+ 4.6
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.5	37.6	38.1	- 0.3	- 1.6
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.5	13.6	14.1	- 0.7	- 4.2
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.0	29.6	26.5	+ 1.4	+13.2
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.5	4.5	5.4	0	-16.7
NONMANUFACTURING	1,691.7	1,685.5	1,637.0	+ 0.4	+ 3.3
MINING	4.5	4.5	4.4	0	+ 2.3
CONSTRUCTION	125.0	122.0	115.9	0	+ 7.9
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	123.6	123.5	121.9	+ 0.1	+ 1.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	63.0	63.4	61.5	- 0.6	+ 2.4
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	55.2	55.2	55.0	0	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	532.5	531.4	511.4	+ 0.2	+ 4.1
Wholesale Trade	123.6	123.5	119.2	+ 0.1	+ 3.7
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	74.8	74.5	71.0	+ 0.4	+ 5.4
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	48.8	49.0	48.2	- 0.4	+ 1.2
Retail Trade	408.9	407.9	392.2	+ 0.2	+ 4.3
General Merchandise Stores	56.6	56.6	54.4	0	+ 4.0
Variety Stores	11.4	11.8	11.5	- 3.4	- 0.9
Food Stores	65.7	65.2	64.8	+ 0.8	+ 1.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	104.1	103.9	101.6	+ 0.2	+ 2.5
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	378.6	376.6	368.6	+ 0.5	+ 2.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	23.3	23.0	21.3	+ 1.3	+ 9.4
Personal Services	25.1	25.0	23.4	+ 0.4	+ 7.3
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.1	10.1	10.0	0	+ 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	423.4	423.6	413.2	-0.04	+ 2.5
Federal	50.7	50.6	50.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.8
State	125.7	125.3	121.6	+ 0.3	+ 3.4
Education	65.1	64.6	62.9	+ 0.8	+ 3.5
Other	60.6	60.7	58.7	- 0.2	+ 3.2
Local	247.0	247.7	241.3	- 0.3	+ 2.4
Education	134.0	134.8	129.9	- 0.6	+ 3.2
Other	113.0	112.9	111.4	+ 0.1	+ 1.4

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1984

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1984	September 1984	October 1983	September 1984	October 1983
MANUFACTURING	649.6	653.9	651.6	- 0.7	- 0.3
DURABLE GOODS	245.0	244.9	235.1	*	+ 4.2
Lumber & Wood Products	30.2	29.9	30.6	+ 1.0	- 1.3
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.7	7.7	7.4	0	+ 4.1
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.0	3.0	3.6	0	-16.7
Furniture & Fixtures	72.9	72.8	72.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.7
Household Furniture	65.2	65.1	65.5	+ 0.2	- 0.5
Wood Household Furniture	33.9	34.0	34.4	- 0.3	- 1.5
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.7	15.7	14.7	0	+ 6.8
Structural Clay Products	2.3	2.2	2.0	+ 4.5	+15.0
Primary Metal Industries	8.0	8.1	7.1	- 1.2	+12.7
Fabricated Metal Products	18.5	18.5	18.0	0	+ 2.8
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	27.9	27.8	26.4	+ 0.4	+ 5.7
Special Industry Machinery	5.3	5.2	5.2	+ 1.9	+ 1.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	44.6	44.8	39.9	- 0.4	+11.8
Household Appliances	5.4	5.5	5.5	- 1.8	- 1.8
Transportation Equipment	15.7	15.8	14.4	- 0.6	+ 9.0
NONDURABLE GOODS	404.6	409.0	416.5	- 1.1	- 2.9
Food & Kindred Products	31.1	31.1	30.7	0	+ 1.3
Meat Products	15.9	15.6	14.9	+ 1.9	+ 6.7
Meat Packing	1.7	1.7	1.8	0	- 5.6
Dairy Products	1.5	1.6	1.5	- 6.2	0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Bakery Products	4.5	4.5	4.5	0	0
Beverages	2.4	2.6	2.5	- 7.7	- 4.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.0	22.6	22.4	+ 1.8	+ 2.7
Cigarettes	14.9	14.8	14.7	+ 0.7	+ 1.4
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	7.5	7.2	7.1	+ 4.2	+ 5.6
Textile Mill Products	189.9	194.0	203.7	- 2.1	- 6.8
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	53.3	54.5	58.4	- 2.2	- 8.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton	27.2	28.1	31.4	- 3.2	-13.4
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.1	26.3	26.8	- 0.8	- 2.6
Knitting Mills	66.5	67.5	71.2	- 1.5	- 6.6
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.5	19.9	20.6	- 2.0	- 5.3
Hosiery, NEC	20.1	20.3	21.0	- 1.0	- 4.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.7	11.7	13.1	0	-10.7
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.0	6.1	6.1	- 1.6	- 1.6
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	11.9	12.0	12.3	- 0.8	- 3.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	47.5	49.1	50.9	- 3.3	- 6.7
Apparel & Other Textile Products	76.2	76.6	77.8	- 0.5	- 2.1
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	24.1	25.0	25.0	- 3.6	- 3.6
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	35.3	35.3	36.0	0	- 1.9
Paper & Allied Products	16.9	16.9	17.1	0	- 1.2
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.8	7.8	7.9	0	- 1.3
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.6	5.6	5.6	0	0
Printing & Publishing	14.1	14.3	13.7	- 1.4	+ 2.9
Newspapers	3.5	3.6	3.3	- 2.8	+ 6.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	24.8	25.1	25.0	- 1.2	- 0.8
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.5	9.7	9.9	- 2.1	- 4.0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.9	24.6	21.4	+ 1.2	+16.4
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.7	3.8	4.7	- 2.6	-21.3

1/ Current data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products
Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."
*Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

OCTOBER, 1984

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Oct. 1984	Sept. 1984	Oct. 1983	Oct. 1984	Sept. 1984	Oct. 1983	Oct. 1984	Sept. 1984	Oct. 1983
MANUFACTURING	$281.08	$277.46	$275.52	39.7	39.3	41.0	$ 7.08	$ 7.06	$ 6.72
DURABLE GOODS	298.89	295.65	287.04	41.0	40.5	41.3	7.29	7.30	6.95
Lumber & Wood Products	242.79	236.79	236.74	40.6	39.4	41.1	5.98	6.01	5.76
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	233.38	231.15	236.74	40.8	40.2	42.2	5.72	5.75	5.61
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	282.35	259.81	273.64	39.6	36.8	40.6	7.13	7.06	6.74
Furniture & Fixtures	250.73	246.77	243.81	39.3	38.8	40.1	6.38	6.36	6.08
Household Furniture	251.13	245.50	244.22	39.3	38.6	40.3	6.39	6.36	6.06
Wood Household Furniture	245.43	240.58	238.21	40.3	39.7	41.0	6.09	6.06	5.81
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	331.53	330.23	316.92	43.0	42.5	42.2	7.71	7.77	7.51
Structural Clay Products	268.58	275.01	252.88	43.6	44.5	42.5	6.16	6.18	5.95
Primary Metal Industries	345.77	356.33	342.50	42.9	44.1	43.5	8.06	8.08	7.91
Fabricated Metal Products	331.63	325.78	319.82	42.3	41.5	42.7	7.84	7.85	7.49
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	356.12	358.70	336.71	42.7	42.5	42.3	8.34	8.44	7.96
Special Industry Machinery	303.28	312.42	310.70	39.8	41.0	42.1	7.62	7.62	7.38
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	337.84	336.61	332.69	41.1	41.0	41.9	8.22	8.21	7.94
Household Appliances	262.44	278.70	260.71	40.5	42.1	42.6	6.48	6.62	6.12
Transportation Equipment	334.43	324.31	316.58	41.7	41.0	41.6	8.02	7.91	7.61
NONDURABLE GOODS	270.66	266.34	268.87	39.0	38.6	40.8	6.94	6.90	6.59
Food & Kindred Products	251.14	253.34	250.48	39.8	39.4	40.4	6.31	6.43	6.20
Meat Products	202.33	207.69	206.98	37.4	37.9	38.4	5.41	5.48	5.39
Meat Packing	329.13	342.21	314.57	41.4	43.1	40.8	7.95	7.94	7.71
Dairy Products	268.49	266.60	254.10	43.8	43.0	42.0	6.13	6.20	6.05
Grain Mill Products	306.84	301.37	307.78	43.4	43.3	44.8	7.07	6.96	6.87
Bakery Products	283.18	290.65	274.56	41.4	41.7	41.6	6.84	6.97	6.60
Beverages	460.32	469.27	449.82	42.0	42.7	44.1	10.96	10.99	10.20
Tobacco Manufacturers	399.68	407.03	389.26	39.3	39.1	39.2	10.17	10.41	9.93
Cigarettes	503.25	517.23	474.35	37.5	38.2	38.1	13.42	13.54	12.45
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	201.67	193.58	190.68	43.0	41.1	42.0	4.69	4.71	4.54
Textile Mill Products	241.92	241.54	252.74	38.4	38.4	41.5	6.30	6.29	6.09
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	278.18	276.11	281.47	40.2	39.9	42.2	6.92	6.92	6.67
Weaving Mills, Cotton	274.03	270.27	280.06	39.6	39.0	41.8	6.92	6.93	6.70
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	281.93	281.93	282.86	40.8	40.8	42.6	6.91	6.91	6.64
Knitting Mills	213.30	213.74	223.74	36.4	36.6	39.6	5.86	5.84	5.65
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	188.27	190.18	202.92	33.5	33.9	38.0	5.62	5.61	5.34
Hosiery, NEC	209.56	208.82	209.28	36.7	36.7	38.4	5.71	5.69	5.45
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	235.50	239.90	261.61	37.5	38.2	42.4	6.28	6.28	6.17
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	260.55	267.80	268.38	39.9	41.2	42.6	6.53	6.50	6.30
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	262.35	258.05	271.56	40.3	39.7	42.9	6.51	6.50	6.33
Yarn & Thread Mills	224.47	230.57	248.20	37.6	38.3	42.5	5.97	6.02	5.84
Apparel & Other Textile Products	185.63	179.00	185.76	37.2	35.8	38.3	4.99	5.00	4.85
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	175.42	174.06	177.97	34.6	34.4	36.1	5.07	5.06	4.93
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	179.35	168.98	179.03	37.6	35.5	38.5	4.77	4.76	4.65
Paper & Allied Products	508.69	466.55	468.31	44.7	43.4	44.9	11.38	10.75	10.43
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	672.59	574.21	587.19	47.6	43.9	46.9	14.13	13.08	12.52
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	329.30	338.57	338.35	42.6	43.8	45.6	7.73	7.73	7.42
Printing & Publishing	310.81	311.59	283.11	38.9	37.9	37.9	7.99	8.01	7.47
Newspapers	280.60	273.70	264.88	34.9	34.0	34.4	8.04	8.05	7.70
Chemicals & Allied Products	374.54	370.37	366.33	40.8	40.7	41.3	9.18	9.00	8.87
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	423.43	414.00	416.99	41.8	41.4	42.9	10.13	10.00	9.72
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	370.35	359.06	359.45	41.8	41.8	43.1	8.86	8.59	8.34
MINING	352.00	338.12	301.58	44.5	42.8	41.2	7.91	7.90	7.32
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	459.79	458.99	437.96	41.2	41.5	41.2	11.16	11.06	10.63
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	192.40	192.67	191.81	32.5	32.6	33.3	5.92	5.91	5.76
Wholesale Trade	293.49	289.81	274.25	39.5	38.9	38.9	7.43	7.45	7.05
Retail Trade	164.63	166.24	165.38	30.6	30.9	31.5	5.38	5.38	5.25
General Merchandise Stores	143.96	149.78	144.60	29.2	29.6	30.0	4.93	5.06	4.82
Variety Stores	117.87	121.10	119.19	30.3	30.2	31.7	3.89	4.01	3.76
Food Stores	191.54	194.57	186.62	32.3	32.7	31.9	5.93	5.95	5.85
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	133.59	134.64	124.53	30.5	30.6	30.3	4.38	4.40	4.11
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	193.36	188.64	171.82	36.9	36.0	35.5	5.24	5.24	4.84

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